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Idaho Milk Production up 2.3 Percent

Idaho milk production during November 2012 totaled 1.09 billion pounds, a 2.3 percent increase from the same month last year, but a 4.2 percent decrease from October 2012, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. October 2012 milk production was revised to 1.14 billion pounds, up slightly from the preliminary level. Average milk production per cow in November 2012 was 1,880 pounds, up 40 pounds from last year's level. The average number of milk cows during November was 579,000 head, unchanged from November 2011.

Milk production in the 23 major States during November totaled 14.9 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from November 2011. October revised production at 15.2 billion pounds, was down slightly from October 2011. The October revision represented an increase of 1 million pounds or less than 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,758 pounds for November, 19 pounds above November 2011. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.47 million head, 3,000 head less than November 2011, but 8,000 head more than October 2012.

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